# **SOMB Meeting Minutes**

The regular meeting of the Sex Offender Management Board was called to order on January 19, 2012. Illinois Department of Corrections (DOC), via videoconferencing, in Chicago and Springfield, Illinois. Chairperson Alyssa Schafer was unable to attend the meeting. Vice Chairperson Verlin Meinz called the meeting to order.

#### PRESENT:

Member(s):

Chicago: Simeon Kim, Steve Goytia, Verlin Meinz, Annette Milleville

Springfield: Michael Bednarz, Pat Delfino, Sheryl Essenburg, Tracie Newton, Dustin Sutton,

Dick Winkler

Non-Member(s):

Alesia Crockett (Attorney General's Office), Harry Reed

**ABSENT:** 

Member(s):

Excused: Alyssa Schafer, Cara Smith, Abdi Tinwalla, Amy Campanelli, Carol Corgan,

Mickie Owens, Lisa Stephens

Unexcused: None

#### A. Welcome/Roll Call

#### B. Review of Meeting Minutes: December 16, 2011

A vote was not taken to approve the December 16, 2011 meeting minutes due to a lack of a quorum.

### C. Legal Update: Andrea's Law (Adult Murder Registry)

Tracie Newton discussed the following:

#### Andrea's Law

Amends SOR and VAY to include those individuals convicted of murder and the victim is age 18 or over. Individuals are required to register under VAY until the offense is deemed to be sexually motivated. It is a 10 year registration period. It applies to any person convicted of first degree murder with an adult victim who was released from prison on or after 1-1-2002. If the murder is deemed to be sexually motivated, the person will register under SOR for natural life.

#### HB 1253 - Retroactivity bill

Became effective 1-1-12. This law affects those who have never had a duty to register and those who have completed their registration requirements.

If a person is convicted of any felony on or after 7-1-2011, the person may have a duty to register. If they completed their registration already, if their sex crime is now a sexual

predator offense, the person will be placed back into the registry with a duty to register for natural life. If the person has never had a duty to register before, if he/she gets convicted of any felony on or after 7-1-2011, the person may now have a duty to register. This law also amended the definition of a sexual predator to include any person who has a duty to register in another state due to any court action and moves to IL on or after 1-1-12.

## D. Open Meeting Act (OMA): New Law and Training Requirement

Alesia Crockett discussed the new law and training requirements for public bodies.

# **New Training Requirement for 2012**

Pursuant to Section 1.05 (b) of OMA, each elected and appointed member of a public body subject to OMA must successfully complete the electronic training between January 1, 2012, and January 1, 2013. Those persons who become members of a public body after January 1, 2012, must complete the electronic training not later than 90 days after the member takes the oath of office or otherwise assume responsibilities as a member of a public body.

A member who completes the training and files a copy of the certificate of completion with the public body is not required to subsequently complete this training under subsection (b). The Public Access Counselor in the Attorney General's Office is responsible for developing these training programs.

Visit the following link to access the training or for more information about OMA: http://foia.ilattorneygeneral.net/electronic\_foia\_training.aspx

#### **E. SOMB Committee Assignment**

#### **Standards & Guidelines**

Dr. Michael Bednarz reported the Committee has a phone conference scheduled for February 3, 2012 to discuss bringing the Standards and Guidelines up-to-date. Mike requested Alesia email him a list of the Committee members.

### Quality Assurance of Providers & Ethics and Conflict of Interest

No meeting scheduled.

#### Funding

No meeting scheduled. The current fund balance is \$58,544.64.

#### **Appointment**

No meeting scheduled. The Board currently has four vacancies: one Attorney General appointment for a State's Attorney and three Governor appointments, one law enforcement and two judiciary.

#### Legislative

The Committee met and approved by vote the finalized recommendations for legislative changes to the Board which include reinstating the members that were eliminated by SB265.

Verlin extended an invitation to Annette Milleville to join any of the Committes.

### F. New Business

Harry Reed presented Alesia Crockett with a \$50 gift certificate to Olive Garden on behalf of the Board in appreciation for the administrative services she provides. Alesia thanked the Board for the gift to her favorite restaurant.

In addition, Harry stated he plans to continue to participate on the Board after his term expires effective January 1, 2012.

**G. Next Meeting:** March 15, 2012 – Bloomington Police Department, Bloomington, Illinois

# H. Adjournment